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### DEATH CALLS ELOISE SIMS ORTH

Rarely has it been the duty of THE MES-SENGER to chronicle a passing from this mortal life as tragic as that of Eloise Sims Orth, killed on Wednesday, June 5, 1940, about 10 miles west of Wendover, Utah, en route to Salt Lake City to attend the June conference - convention of the M.I.A. It was only one month ago that THE MES-SENGER carried her picture as the newly



Eloise Sims Orth

chosen president of the Y.W.M.I.A. of Oakland Stake. With her in the car at the time of her death were her husband, Bert Orth, and a young niece, both of whom suffered minor injuries when the car turned turtle by reason of a blow-out. Mrs. Orth, who was severely injured, never regained consciousness before passing away.

Eloise Sims Orth was born in Pine Canyon, near Salt Lake City on June 29, 1904, to Joseph Sims and Primrose Shields Sims. She came to Oakland in 1923 where she has since made her home. She has occupied at various times, most of the positions on the Stake board of the Y.W.M.I.A., and has always been active in Church work. For a little over a year she and her husband were in charge of the circulation department of The Messenger and were largely responsible for setting up and perfecting the present system of distribution through the mails. She has been especially interested in the recreation and leisure time activities of young people.

Her funeral was held Sunday afternoon, June 9, at Larkin mortuary in Salt Lake City. Bishop Angus Norberg of Oakland ward conducted the service. President Richard L. Evans of the First Council of Seventy and President W. Glenn Harmon of Oakland Stake presidency were the speakers. Special musical numbers, all favorites of Mrs. Orth's, were rendered by Mrs. Evangeline Thomas Beesley and Mrs. Maacaka Francom Taufer. Interment was in the Salt Lake City cemetery.

Surviving Mrs. Orth are her husband, Bert Robert Orth; one sister, Mrs. Ivie Breck of Oakland; and six brothers, Julian and Kenneth Sims of Oakland; Glenn and George Sims of Salt Lake City; Joseph Sims of Boise, Idaho, and Alex Sims of Los Angeles.

#### **NEW ARRIVALS**

Oakland Stake welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Jones of Ogden and Beaver, Utah, who have come for a sojourn among us of two years, while Mr. Jones finishes his work at the university for his doctorate in the field of English. Mrs. Jones was formerly Helen Hinckley of Ogden, and is a sister of Mrs. Wayne E. Mayhew. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones are writers of note, having had many articles and poems published. Mrs. Jones has been author for some two or three years of the manuals used by the M.I.A. junior girls.

#### THAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW

"Therefore, it is not right that any man should be in bondage one to another.

"And for this purpose have I establihed the Constitution of this land by the hands of wise men whom I raised up unto this very purpose, and redeemed the land by the shedding of blood."

—Doctrine and Covenants, Sec. 101:79, 80. "It was observed this morning that the Government of the United States was

the best or most wholesome one on the earth, and the best adapted to our con-

dition. That is very true . . "The general Constitution of our country is good, and a wholesome government could be framed upon it, for it was dictated by the invisible operations of the Almighty; He moved upon Columbus to launch forth upon the trackless deep to discover the American continent; He moved upon the signers of the Declaration of Independence; and He moved upon Washington to fight and conquer, in the same way He moved upon the ancient and modern prophets, each being inspired to accomplish the particular work he was called to perform in the times, seasons, and dispensations of the Almighty. God's purpose, in raising up these men and inspiring them with daring sufficient to surmount every opposing power, was to prepare the way for the formation of a true republican government."—Brigham Young.

#### "TONGUES ARE FOR A SIGN"

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Again THE MESSENGER is indebted to Elder Charles. W. Rogers, this time for the following faith-promoting incident in the life of Christopher Lister Riding; father of Elder George K. Riding of Elmhurst ward. In this world of hard realities and scientific achievement it is yet worth while to pause to reflect upon the place and purpose of the spiritual gifts spoken of by St. Paul, among which the gift of tongues and the interpretation thereof are not the least. The following narrative is told by Elder Riding, whose earliest known ancestor was Tailor Riding, born in 1650 in England.)

My father, Christopher Lister Riding was born February 10, 1816, in Burnley, England. He was very studious, also ambitious. He received a liberal education but his lead was in a mechanical line so he learned the sheet metal trade. Yet he was not satisfied, neither were his parents, who prevailed on him to study for the ministry. This he did and received his commission from the Methodist Church to preach in their churches. However, it was about this time that he met the Mormon elders, was converted, baptized, given the priesthood, ordained an elder and set apart as a missionary to labor in his own town. He was very successful in his labors, and soon had quite a number baptized into the Church.

A branch was organized and my father was made branch president. They held their meet-

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## PIONEER CELEBRATION PLANNED BY M.I.A.

The annual Pioneer Day celebration of July 24, will be held at Lakeside Park in Oakland this year, and the Stake M.I.A., assisted by the Aaronic priesthood committee, are busy working out plans for an interesting and eventful afternoon and evening. All Stake members are invited to take part in the activities.

The afternoon program at the park will include races for the kiddies and sports for the older people. All children under 12 will be given a free boat ride around Lake Merritt and special treat by way of refreshments, will be distributed during the afternoon. As a special feature of the afternoon, the Stake Aaronic priesthood committee will make the presentation of the foving cup to the ward which has the best activity record for its three Aaronic priesthood, duorums. There will also be an award made to the individual quorum which has the best individual record in the Stake. The evening program on July 24 is under the direction of the Aaronic priesthood committee, more details to be announced later. A Dutch picnic lunch is seneduled for the park from 5:30 to 6:30 in the evening.

The Pioneer Day dance will be held on Friday night instead of Wednesday, and will carry out the Pioneer theme for an evening of fun and dancing. Bob Hansen's orchestra, which has provided the music for Stake dances the last year, will be on hand. Leroy Gardner is chairman of the dance committee and promises that many special features will make the evening one long to be remembered. The dance will be held in the Berkeley ward recreational hall, and the usual admission will be charged.

#### THREE COUPLES MARRY IN TEMPLE

During the month of June three Oakland Stake couples were united in holy wedlock in the Salt Lake Temple. They are: Viola Lauper and Joseph R. Johnson, of Dimond ward; Elaine Kimball of Dimond and Raymond Jones of Salt Lake City; and Madge Christensen of Mt. Eden and Bernard Stewart, son of Bishop Stewart of Hayward ward. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart were married on June 3, after which they drove to Arizona for a short honeymoon, accompanied by the groom's mother and the bride's father. Upon their return to Hayward a reception was held in their honor June 18, with many friends and relatives attending.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Jones were both married on June 25. Both brides were extensively entertained before their leaving for Salt Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Jones will make their home in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where Mr. Jones is employed. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, after a honeymoon in southern Utah, southern California and at Carmel, will make their home in the Bay region.

#### ERA DRIVE OVER THE TOP

Filling its quota 101.3 per cent, Oakland Stake tied with Provo for 29th place in Era subscriptions for its group. This group was led by the South Los Angeles Stake which procured 318.6 per cent of its quota. There's a mark to shoot at! San Francisco Stake, in the other grouping, also topped Oakland, placing in ninth position with 152.7 per cent.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."-Mal. 3:1.

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WARD TEACHER'S MESSAGE FOR

# JULY, 1940 Fast Offerings—Church Welfare Plan

Our Church is now engaged in a great program designed for the present, the future, and the permanent welfare of all the members of the Church. For the first time in more than a hundred years, a plan has been provided which will demonstrate to the world the effectiveness, the brotherhood, and the divinity of the

The world is in chaos. The prophecies are being fulfilled. Regardless of what others think and do in times like these, our Church has charted a positive course, has provided a definite plan, and calls upon all members to join in making it successful.

There should be no mistaken notion harbored by anyone that the Church Welfare Plan is temporary. Such is not the case. It is a permanent plan which has been set up by inspiration at a time when the need is apparent. It is designed to help our people meet the conditions which every thoughtful person recognizes are ahead. In addition, it is designed to emphasize in the Church the true spirit of brotherhood, as revealed through Joseph Smith, and eventually to end forever suffering, humiliation, and distress among the Latterday Saints. This can all be accomplished through the cooperation and unselfish participation of all faithful and loyal members of the Church.

The foundation of the Welfare Plan is the system of Fast Offerings instituted by the Lord for this very purpose. This sound, practical, and effective plan, if accepted and followed by all members of the Church, will make possible the accomplishment of every objective of the Welfare Plan; and, in addition, will benefit and bless those who give, as well as those who

Every member of the Church who desires to keep the commandments of the Lord, and assist in carrying on His work here on the earth, should accept and follow in its true spirit the Fast Day plan of the Church.

To give money on Fast Day for the benefit of others will bring blessings to the giver; to give of yourself,

in addition, through fasting and prayer, following the true spirit of the Fast Day, will multiply those bless-

The desires of the Lord for His people are clear. He has asked that we refrain from two meals on the first Sunday of each month, and give the equivalent of their cost to those in distress. That plan has never been rescinded, changed, or modified. It stands today as the law of the Church. When it is accepted and followed by all members of the Church, the Welfare Plan will provide for all who need, and will make possible both temporal and entitled growth and progress to both temporal and spiritual growth and progress in the Church far beyond what has been accomplished in

"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

#### MESSAGE OF THE STAKE PRESIDENCY

Dear Brethren and Sisters:

The world around us is in confusion and turmoil and filled with the forces of destruction and wickedness. Many people in and out of the Church have been heard to ask, "Is this to be the end?" and "What hour can we expect the Saviour's second coming?" The obvious answer to these questions would appear to be "no man knoweth the day or the hour, not even the Angels of Heaven." Many signs, which have been given as indications that the "great and dreadful day of the Lord is nigh at hand," are now in evidence. We as individuals should indeed keep ourselves in readiness at all times that when the Saviour does come we shall not be classed with the "five foolish virgins who were unprepared to meet the bridegroom." We should not, however, allow the appearance of these signs to make us panicky or rob us of our equilibrium. Let us thank God that He has given us understanding that should give us strength to stand in the face of whatever terrible calamities that may be in store for the children of men. Let us prepare ourselves to take our rightful responsibility if and when we are called upon. Let us so conduct ourselves that we can be a light to the world, a beacon in the darkness to lead the people of the world from darkness to the life-giving light of the everlasting Gospel. Our concern should not be "is this to be the end" but rather "how can I adjust my life to more nearly conform to the teachings of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." The signs of the times that now appear and those that will yet appear should be a source of strength to Latterday Saints and an assurance that God

The following is taken from the remarks of Elder John A. Widtsoe made at the last General Conference of the Church:

lives and that His words fail not.

"Probably the thought that has come to me most often has been as to the place and purpose of the Church in this wartorn world, this world of strife and unhappiness. What is our mission to the world? I have turned to the scriptures to get the answer, and have found the answer, both in ancient and modern scriptures. It is that the Church of Christ at all times must be as a standard to the nations, a standard to which all nations, all people, all men may turn as they seek safety, peace, and happiness. It is our great mission, brethren and sisters, to be a standard to all the world, and we say without hesitation that those who obey and comply with that standard will find that which men most desire in life. It s a bold declaration, tremendously bold that a small people in the valleys of these mountains, misunderstood, often harassed by persecution, may become the standard by which all mankind may be led to peace and happiness; but so it is. I am not saying it. It is the word of the Lord. both in ancient and modern days. If this standard would be accepted by the world the things we pray and hope for would soon come."

That we may all realize our great responsibility and accept it is the prayer of your brethren.

> EUGENE HILTON, W. GLENN HARMON. CLYDE J. SUMMERHAYS.

# "TONGUES ARE FOR A SIGN"

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ings at the homes of the new converts from time to time. It was at one of these cottage meetings that the following incident happened, as related to me after my father's death by Sister Ann McFarlane, one of his converts who was present at the time.

She said: "At the appointed place for our meeting a few of the Saints and friends stood in front of the house talking while waiting for the others to arrive, when a very distinguished looking man, an East Indian, was seen coming up the street on the opposite side from us. Brother Riding called to him and waved for him to come over, which he did. After he and Brother Riding had conversed a while, Brother Riding speaking English, the other speaking East Indian, we were all introduced, and our friend was invited to attend our meet-

"After singing and prayer, Brother Riding arose and spoke to us about twenty minutes, explaining the plan of salvation and telling of the restoration of the gospel and the authority to administer its ordinances. He also told of the organization of the Church and the missionary work. He closed with a blessing upon all present. He invited our distinguished visitor and guest to speak, and readily he accepted the invitation.

"There was profound silence and amazement as the stranger arose—tall, straight and handsome. He occupied ten or fifteen minutes during which time there was a glorious outpouring of the spirit of God, which we all felt and which thrilled our whole beings. Yet we had not understood a word he said. However, when he closed his remarks and sat down, Brother Riding arose and gave us the interpretation, which was about as follows:

"'Dear friends, it is good to be here today, and wonderful beyond understanding. God has been very good to me in guiding me to this place and permitting me to learn something of His glorious gospel plan, and to feel this wonderful influence and witness the demonstration of His power.

"'I had an appointment with his majesty's representatives today, but was drawn by some unknown power to this street which is somewhat off my course; but I am not sorry that I have not kept my appointment. It must wait another day. I must see more of these people and learn more of this religion and this wonderful power that enables men of different languages to understand each other. It is incomprehensible but true. May God grant that we may meet again.'

"After bidding us good-bye he left us and we never saw him again. Truly we had witnessed a wonderful demonstration of God's power, and we were strengthened in our faith in the gospel that we had embraced."

#### THE JOHNSONS RETURN

Sunburned to a crisp and tired to the core (though they wouldn't admit it), President Edward Johnson and his wife arrived in Berkeley promptly on schedule, 1:30 p. m., June 15, after a trip that took them through the middle west, the south, the Atlantic coast, New York state and the great lakes.

#### ASSIGNMENTS FOR JULY

Alameda: O. Leslie Stone, William T. Hicken. Berkeley: Delbert F. Wright, Ray Darton. Claremont: Don C. Wood, Marcel Lauper. Dimond: W. Glenn Harmon. Elmhurst: Clyde J. Summerhays. Hayward: Eugene Hilton.
Martinez: Don J. Allphin, George Southgate.
Maxwell Park: William J. Nielsen, Peter Borup.
Napa: Claude M. Dewsnup, Oscar Fontana.
Oakland: Grant Ellis, Leo Crandall. Pittsburg: Wayne E. Mayhew, J. George Haddock. Richmond: R. Kendall Thomas, Hugh P. Anderson. Vallejo: Nathan G. Tolman, L. P. Monson.

# ONE MISSIONARY DEPARTS. ANOTHER HEARD FROM



July, 1940

Alyce Lauper

Melvin B. Adams

A farewell party was held in the Oakland chapel the evening of July 3, for Elder Melvin B. Adams who is leaving soon to fill a mission to the Argentine. Elder Adams, born May 5, 1919, moved at the age of seven with his parents to New Mexico. In 1932 the family moved to Santa Monica, California, and in 1936 back to Salt Lake City. In August, 1939, Elder Adams moved to Oakland where he has been affiliated with the Federal Land Bank. He will spend a short time in the Mission Home in Salt Lake City, receiving instruction before departing for his field of labor.

An interesting letter has been received by the family of Alyce Lauper, who is serving in the Eastern States Mission. It recounts her recent visit to places of historic interest in the early history of the Church. She writes: "May 18 was truly a rich day for me. I know I cannot write so you will get half its significance to me, but I'll tell you briefly anyway. We were up at 4 a. m. and left the house 'while the dew was still on the roses.' We rode in Brother McRae's Packard and there was lots of room-three men in front, three women in back. We could doze or look as we pleased. Of course if the sun had seen fit to shine it would have been nicer, but even so it was a grand drive.

"This country is surely getting beautiful. It's about 200 miles from Rochester and we passed through all sorts of interesting, historical towns and places-seeing at least four of the lakes. Let's see, we saw Seneca, Geneva and some other ones called the finger lakes. We went thru the Mendon which is where Brigham Young lived and worked as a cabinet maker around about the time he became a

"We went through Ithaca, the location of Cornell University—the Berkeley of the east and then we were in Pennsylvania and very soon driving along the Susquehanna. New York country is rolling and full of little wooded places. Pennsylvania is more hilly and just as beautiful. I thought of all the times I've heard and read and thought of the Aaronic priesthood being restored by the hands of John the Baptist upon the heads of Joseph and Oliver at New Harmony, Pennsylvania, on the banks of the Susquehanna River, and here I was riding alongside that very river, and I pinched myself. You see my mission still doesn't seem real to me. I expect I'll have to come home and when I'm once more engaged in counting pennies and worrying over things, maybe then I'll realize and know this thing has really happened to me. Anyway I can't see how I rated the Eastern States, absolutely the best mission there is (notwithstanding that all missionaries say the same of theirs).

"We didn't know just the exact spot for our gathering so we drove on and presently came to an old graveyard just alongside the road. We found there President Evans, Elder George

Albert Smith, and the missionaries from the office. In this cemetery lie the bodies of Isaac Hale, Alvin Smith, son of the Prophet, and others that Brother Smith said he couldn't remember. Near by is the foundation of the old Hale home and the holes which are all that is left of the silver mine where Joseph Smith worked. After lunch we held a meeting. The local missionaries had even brought a piano out there under the trees. We sat on logs covered with newspapers, a blanket over our knees, and enjoyed an inspirational service. The setting and all was ideal even though it was cold. There were newspapermen there and a pastor of the town church. After the meeting there were some baptisms in the river and I shivered for them. \*\*\*\*\* I shall never forget that day."

#### UNCLE SAM COUNTS HIS NEPHEWS AND NIECES

One of our staff members, Mrs. Patricia B. Fish, has completed her assignment as a census enumerator. The experience so affected her that she has been moved upon to detail a bit of it, and we hasten to share it with our readers:

A few of the various kinds of people and homes that are part of "The Great Melting Pot" America, as encountered by a census THE MOST GRACIOUS:

People who had worked hard for their citizenship, and were so proud to have attained it. THE MOST PATHETIC:

A man who had lost his wife a few months previous, and had resignedly accepted the gigantic task of being both father and mother to seven little girls, the oldest fifteen.
THE MOST PERPLEXING:

How to classify a man who lived in the same house with his divorced wife, she being most emphatic about being head of the house.

A man whose source of income wouldn't stand the close scrutiny of the law; and a few of our public servants, policemen for instance.

THE HAPPIEST:

A family of ten children with an adorable baby of six months; the whistling and humming of the youngsters as they went about their various tasks on a Saturday morning gave to their plain little home an air of delightful

#### THE MOST AMUSING:

The woman who was so disappointed when the census taker wouldn't go thru her husband's ledgers, when she had gone to all the trouble of bringing them home from the office. The woman who hid when called on, and then sent for the enumerator days later, when she heard she might be deported. And the little lady who had been getting up very early every morning for weeks to have her house in order when the census taker arrived. THE OLDEST:

The man who insisted he had worked for 180 years. Another who replied when asked about his work, "Work, what's that?" WITHOUT RADIOS:

The only two out of thousands found without radios were a charming young doctor with nine years of college training, just beginning

the struggle to make a name for himself; and a dear litle old lady living in an old mansion with everything money could buy at her com-

Most people were most kind and cooperative. The census taker was offered everything from milk to gin; and called everything from a "nice refined lady" to a "snoop." But the most startling things were uncovered when she checked in; the office force were amazed to find such precocity in the very young. One young lady of less than a year was found to be in the plumbing business, while her father on the line above did nothing. A husky young man of three months was an ice-puller, and another of less than ten months was a collector of eternal revenue.

# GLEANER AND M MEN CONVENTION

Reported by ELAINE FLANER and HERBERT MARSH

The third annual Northern Stake Gleaner and M Men convention was held in Sacramento on June 1 and 2. A representation of 225 members came from Oakland, San Francisco, Gridley and Sacramento Stakes.

The convention opened with early registration and assignment to living quarters. Saturday's afternoon program consisted of swimming and other sport activities, at McKinley Park.

The first highlight of the convention was the unique chicken dinner held at 6 p. m. in the Pirates Cave of the Eastern Star Temple. During the dinner a delightful floor show was presented by talent of Sacramento Stake.

At 9 p. m. the M Men and Gleaners swayed to the delightful music of Bunny Crite's Orchestra. The dance progressed with everyone making new and lasting friends. At 12 o'clock midnight the young people retired after an evening of fun and frolic to their respective places

Sunday morning at 10 a. m., Sunday School was held under the supervision of the Sacramento Stake M Men president, at the Eastern Star Temple. After preliminaries the convention separated for discussion classes; returning for testimonal inspirational meeting from 11:30 a. m. till 1 p. m., deeply impressed every member there. Many of the testimonies were borne by the 32 returned missionaries present.

Appetizing box lunches were then served at McKinley Park followed by tours to historical points of the city.



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#### HIGH COUNCIL ENTERTAINED

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Mayhew were hosts to the High Council and Stake Presidency on Wednesday evening, June 17. Topic of discussion during the evening was, "The Signs of the Times," handled by members of the Stake Presidency.

#### OAKLAND STAKE RANKS HIGH

In attendance at meetings, fast offering and welfare contributions and ward teaching. Oakland Stake is well among the leaders according to the April bulletin from the Presiding Bishop's office. For comparison purposes Stakes are divided into three groups: those over 5500 in population, those between 3500 and 5500, and those below 3500. Oakland is in the second group, where it stands seventh in the list. For the entire Church as one group it stands eleventh, with a score of 394 points. Juarez Stake ranks first with 520 points; South Los Angeles is second with 512 points; Oahu is third with 475 points; and Inglewood, Chicago, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Pasadena, Ogden and Oakland are next in order. It is noteworthy that only one Utah Stake-Ogden-is found in the first eleven.

#### OAKLAND WARD

#### Services Held at Chapel, Corner Moss Avenue and Webster Street, Oakland

Oakland ward was well represented at General Conference. Bishop Norberg and family, Mrs. Hallman, Mrs. Ogden and Mrs. Fielding, and Garney Johnson were in attendance.

Mr. Frank Nelson has been released from the Sunday School. He is now living in Berkeley. J. George Hadduck has replaced him as

Mrs. Vera Mayhew has been released from the Relief Society. Her residence is now in Berkeley. Mrs. Rose Ogden has replaced her as president.

Oakland ward is preparing for a vacation from work, August 3, with its annual summer party. Remember, it's a big date.

Rulon Doxey and his family are vacationing at Yosemite

The Beehive Girls are spending a week at Sears Ranch in San Andreas with their Bee Keeper, Flora Sears.

The Deacons enjoyed themselves at a party on the 26th of June.

The Junior Genealogical group met Sunday, June 23, at Bishop Norberg's.

#### WINN-JOHNSON MARRIAGE Miss Grace Winn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

V. B. Winn, was united in marriage on Sunday, June 30, to Fred J. Johnson of Richmond. The marriage took place in the L.D.S. chapel at Reno, Nevada, President Abbott officiating.

# ELMHURST WARD

### Services Held at Chapel, 96th Avenue and Derby Street, Oakland

At the regular June Fast Sunday services, Dione Moody was confirmed a member of the Church, having been baptised the night before; and two babies were blessed as follows: Lawrence Douglas Stock, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. La Var Stock, and Judith Ann Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cun-

Mr. and Mrs. James McFarlane of Ogden, Utah, are visiting in Elmhurst for the summer at the home of their son, Horace J. McFarlane.

At a beautifully appointed wedding in the Little Chapel of Flowers, on June 8, Miss Eva Marie Fehr became the bride of Weston Johnson. The ceremony was performed by President Eugene Hilton. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will make their future home in Berkeley.

The M Men and Gleaner Girls are continuing their recreational activities throughout the summer. They meet each Thursday evening for games and social affairs in the recreational hall, and extend a cordial invitation to the

members of the ward to join them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fishburn, accompanied by their daughter, Mary, are vacationing in

Mrs. Gladys Cheney has been chosen to act as counsellor to Mrs. Margaret Marchant in the Y.W.M.I.A. for the coming season.

Mrs. Arthur Sanford, together with Mr. and Mrs. Orvil Ence and three children, all of Springville, Utah, and Mrs. Harry Wood of Idaho Falls, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Movell Day. Mrs. Sanford is the mother of Mrs. Ence, Mrs. Wood, and Mrs. Day.

#### VALLEIO WARD Meet at 2010 Marin Street, Vallejo

Under the directions of Walter Bolander and Monroe Thomas, the Vallejo ward Boy Scouts enjoyed an outing at Vichy Springs,

Sunday evening, June 16, the Mutual Choral with Clair Lewis as director presented a delightful hour of music at the Baptist Church on Sonoma Street.

Our evening speaker, June 16, was Don Woods of the Stake High Council. He was accompanied to Vallejo by Stella and Rita Kaluikan, who rendered two musical numbers.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert E. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coleman and their sons are visiting in Ogden for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stevens and small children, and Mrs. Dora Mayfield have returned home after a delightful visit in Utah.

The Primary officers gave a "Thank You" party for their teachers at the home of Clista Knight. A gift was presented to Juanita Stokes for best attendance and each teacher was presented with a gardenia and thank-you card in appreciation of their work during the past year. Ruby Larson, president of the Relief Society,

has returned home after a visit with her daughter in Los Angeles.

The Deacons Quorum was reorganized with James Nielsen as president. The former president, Glen Hill, has been ordained a Teacher.

We are pleased to hear that Kent Wickens is again home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wickens, after having spent two weeks at the Stanford-Lane Hospital in San Francisco.

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Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Coombs are the proud parents of a baby daughter, which was born on May 31 in the East Oakland Hospital.

Former Bishop Horace J. McFarlane has returned home after spending several months in Chicago and the Middle West. His daughter, Adele, who has been visiting for some time with her grandparents in Ogden, Utah, has also returned home.

The Primary association has discontinued its regular meetings for the summer. Graduation exercises, however, will be held in July and there will be various other activities held occasionally for the children during the summer.

Mrs. Rachel Brown is spending her vacation in Arizona, visiting with children and grand-

Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Murphy recently celebrated the completion of their new home on Stanley Road with a housewarming party.

The Discussion group, composed of women in the Elmhurst vicinity, are presenting five new church books to Elmhurst ward library. Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Elmer recently en-

joyed a short vacation in southern California. Mr. and Mrs. Rolvat T. Cox are entertaining as their house guest Miss Weltha Sherratt of

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson A. Perkins and their son, Kenneth, have moved to a new home on Park Boulevard.

Mrs. Lavinia Jackson is visiting with friends and relatives in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The officers of the M.I.A. held a very enjoyable picnic and barbecue in Dimond Park on June 8.

The 2nd Quorum of Elders have organized a soft ball team. They have played two games with the Hayward team, and two with the Seventies of Elmhurst ward, and have other games scheduled for the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira N. Day of Lawrence, Utah, accompanied by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Slates of Portola, California, were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Movell Day.

#### DIMOND WARD

#### Services Held in Chapel at 3618 Dimond Avenue, Oakland

A surprise party was given by the choir in honor of their former accompanist, Emma Matheson, now a member of the new ward. As Emma willingly came back to substitute as organist, more than forty friends greeted her; besides singing, dancing and games were enjoyed during the evening. Mavis Humphreys and Irene Briggs were responsible for the success of the affair; choir members presented Emma with a lovely gift.

Noreen Morgan, Lorraine Addis and Grace Foster sponsored a bridal shower for Viola Lauper at the Kimball home Monday evening, June 17. A large group of friends showered her with happy wishes and many useful and beau-

Fifteen of the Junior Book of Mormon Club had an outing at Santa Cruz and Rio Del Mar, Saturday, June 22. They were chaperoned by Mrs. Delbert Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Swanson had as their guests recently, Mr. Swanson's mother, brother, and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Barle of Minnesota.

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Winnifred Phelps has left for a visit in Soda Springs, Idaho, where she went to attend the golden wedding anniversary of her father and mother.

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Junius and Helen Payne have as their house guests, Helen's mother, Mrs. Dixon, and her sisters, Allie and Gladys Dixon of Provo.

The Rex McKeans are rejoicing over the arrival of a new baby daughter.

Rena Hallen, aunt of Ora Miller, was responsible for a delightful surprise shower for her, Tuesday, June 25. Ora and John Pullman were married in Reno, Saturday, June 29.

Two ward members welcomed back home are Wendell Jackson, who just returned from a mission, and Eugene Hilton, who just returned from a year at school at the B. Y. U. in Provo.

The Walter Eddington's are now located in their new home on Alido

Jeanne Adamson of Brigham City, is visiting with the Van Noys.

Hazel Segerstedt is visiting in Utah.

Ward members were happy to learn that Kathryn Kelley, a former member, now of Idaho Falls, is on a mission, with headquarters in New York.

## BERKELEY WARD

### All Services Held at Chapel, Corner Vine and Walnut Streets, Berkeley

The speaker at the June M.I.A. Sunday night service was David W. Cummings. His subject was "The Attitude in Defense of Religion by Young Mormons." The M.I.A. theme was given by Phil Bean, musical selections were rendered by Richard Owens, soloist; Francell Larson, violinist, and Anita Magnesun, pianist.

A ward picnic was held at Tilden Park under the supervision of the M.I.A. Games, community singing and refreshments were the main features of the afternoon and evening.

On Friday night, June 14, the married people's party was held in the recreation hall. A special program of original monologues was presented by Dorothy Silveria.

Sunday, June 16, was Father's Day. A special program was given under the direction of the Sunday School. On the program were Anna Lea Lloyd, Rita Noe, and Karleton Driggs.

At the evening service Glenn Harmon was the speaker. He gave the highlights of the recent general conference and the reports of the closing of the European missions and the evacuation of the missionaries therefrom. He also showed moving pictures of the conferences held last October and April. Several music selections were given by Wanda Chase of Claremont ward, accompanied by Roberta Milward.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Owens of Logan, Utah, were recent visitors at the home of their son. Richard W. Owens.

Mrs. Smart of Portland is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Leland W. Fife.

Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Ream and children, Forest and Marilyn are vacationing in Alaska. Gordon Miller was the speaker at the Sunday evening meeting, June 23. His subject was "Religion as a Way of Life." Katherine Lyons of Salt Lake City sang a solo and Spencer Taggart gave two organ solos.

David W. Cummings has gone to the Hawaiian Islands on an extended business trip. Miss Marjorie Hall recently returned from Missoula, Montana, where she has been at-

tending school. Spencer Taggart gave a program of organ

music preceding Sunday School on June 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ferguson have just returned from Utah, where they were married in the Salt Lake Temple. Mrs. Ferguson was formerly Miss Ester Israelsen of Logan, Utah.

Other marriages of interest at which Bishop

Farr officiated in the chapel are Lawrence Hardesty and Shirley Wilkerson on June 17. Mildred Plummer and Franklin Marshall Silva on June 29, and Rodman Fullmer and Katherine Ruth Flathman on July 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Fife are the happy parents of a baby daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hughes were called to Los Angeles to attend the funeral of Mr. Hughes' cousin. Mrs. Hughes will be the soloist at the funeral.

Mrs. Orthella Hughes has recently returned from an extended concert tour in southern

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Rock attended M.I.A. conference in Salt Lake City.

Scouts Jack Smith, Delbert Rock, Jr., Donald Merrill, Reed Stone, and Bud Stone are spending two weeks at Camp Wolfboro in the High

Russell Ball will leave for a mission in the near future.

Gamma Rho Chi, the girls' junior geneaology club, held it first spring semi-formal dance on May 18. After the dance members of the club were presented with their pins with the compliments of Alma Deane Ericksen, advisor of the club. On June 9, members of the club took an excursion to the Fair, under the leadership of Betty June Cummings, president. A good and instructive time was had by all.

#### HAYWARD WARD Services Held at 1070 B Street

Nelda Johnston Springall and Robert Springall announced their marriage of last January. Mrs. Springall is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Johnston of Hayward. Mr. Johnston served as counselor to the Bishop

Mrs. Jenny Parry, one of Hayward ward's first members, died, June 12, after a prolonged illness. Funeral services were conducted by the

Sponsoring a baby contest was the means

chosen by the Genealogy class to raise funds for the new Hayward chapel. Votes for the most popular child under three years of age are Mrs. Boice Carr of Oregon. Boice is the son placed with the parents or campaign manager at one cent each. The baby receiving the most votes gets as a prize one dozen portrait pictures, Ardell Kay, has closed for the summer. It will donated by the Jim Angus Studio. The contest closes in July.

Clayton Neilson, wife and three children, have moved to Hayward from Logan, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burns have had as their house guest for the past two months, Mrs. Burns' mother, Mrs. C. M. Jensen of Logan, Utah. Mrs. Burns' two sisters, Ida and Mae, Ellsworth, the Stake president, gave a short

were with her for a short stay

Miss Hertha Jensen, nurse at the L. D. S. Hospital in Salt Lake City, has been spending her vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Brig Haws of

#### MAXWELL PARK WARD

Services Held in Masonic Hall, Corner Foothill Boulevard and Mason Street

Mr. and Mrs. Von Adamson are the proud parents of a baby boy born June 15. Edward J. Partington recently returned from

a visit to Utah. While there he did work in

Salt Lake and Logan temples. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brossard have returned home from a two weeks' vacation in Idaho and

The M Men of Maxwell Park ward sponsored another wienie roast at Sequoia Park on

Wendell Martin and family have moved to Richmond. They were given a farewell party

at the home of Smoot Brimhall, and presented with a lovely table lamp. C. J. Brossard received word from his brother, Edgar B. Brossard, that his father-inlaw, Mathuis F. Cowley, had passed away at

Salt Lake City, June 16. The Gleaner Girls enjoyed a bowling party Wednesday, June 12.

### CLAREMONT WARD

Services Held at 2980 Adeline Street, Berkeley William Carr, who taught the Gospel Doc-

trine class, has returned to St. George. Utah. Selden Millward, who has been ill a few weeks, is better and will resume his duties in

Helen Burdett left for the south to spend a while with Marie Compton, her sister.

Royal Chase left for Los Angeles to visit with his folks. Blane Burdett returned from the Hawaiian

Islands, and left for Yosemite to spend the A son, David Boice, was born to Mr. and

of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carr. The girls' chorus, under the direction of

resume practice in August. The last meeting of the Relief Society was

held May 23. It was a work meeting and social. A program of music was heard which included Wanda Chase, a solo; Trellis Ellsworth, a piano solo, and Dorothy Perry, a vocal solo. Mrs. Taylor gave the scriptural reading and Mrs.

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but interesting talk. Hazel Butcher served refreshments.

The new Mutual officers of the coming Mutual term are Ardell Kay, Dorothy Brown, Miriam Ellsworth, Harold Butcher, Jim Kay, and Dave Bickmore.

Tuesday, February 14, under the direction of Thelma Telford, Mrs. Duran and Elizabeth Burdett, the Primary held their annual Spring

Heber Ellsworth was appointed chairman of the Aaronic Priesthood, and supervision of the Adult Aaronic Priesthood.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ward Ingham.

A baby son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Birchill.

Charles Carr has been an a business trip to Salt Lake City for the Government.

Annette Woods and Ruth Zuppem were released from the Work and Business Committee of the Relief Society.

Lenore Woods and her children left for a trip to Salt Lake City, where Lenore will leave her children and go to Washington, D. C., where she will meet her husband, Joe Wood, who has been working for the Government.

At the Relief Society Expedition the Claremont ward exhibit was of all types of baby equipment. It was under the direction of Dorothy Brown.

#### RICHMOND WARD

#### Services Held in Chapel, Corner 28th Street and Nevin Avenue, Richmond

Mrs. Laura Alleman of Springville, Utah, has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orland Olson.

I. B. Ball, one of our Stake Patriarchs, and Wayne E. Mayhew, of the Stake High Council, were speakers on Sunday evening, June 16.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Aikens and family are spending a nice vacation touring through Yellowstone Park, Idaho and Utah.

Mrs. H. F. Layton and two sons are vaca-

tioning in Utah.

The Jost family, who had lived in Richmond ward for the past winter, has moved back to Kaysville, Utah.

We wish to welcome as new members of our ward Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Martin and family, formerly of Elmhurst ward.

New presidents of the M.I.A. for the coming season have been chosen: Mrs. Marvin Parker as president of the young ladies, and Mr. Dave Love as president of the young men. Their counselors have not been selected as yet.

Mr. Francis Gealta, Mr. Malcolm H. Merrill and Mr. Walter Ayelett, of the Stake Sunday School board, were visitors Sunday, June 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Nelson of Sacramento, California, were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Tidwell.

Approximately thirty members of the ward enjoyed a wienie roast at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Claude M. Dewsnup.

Mrs. Marvin Parker, Val Ney, and Edna Redfield were hostesses at a Stake shower given in honor of Mrs. Allan Tidwell. Many gifts were received.

#### MARTINEZ WARD

Services Held at 1022 Thompson Street, Martinez

The Marion Wanless family of Rodeo are vacationing in Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Knowles recently enjoyed a trip to Long Beach, California. Thomas Acor, young son of Mr. and Mrs.

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#### VITAL STATISTICS

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Birchall, Claremont, a son, May 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ward Ingham, Claremont, a daughter, March 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Coombs, Elmhurst, a daughter, May 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sassone, Richmond, a son, March 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Delhert Abrae Bishmond. BIRTHS:

To Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Abrao, Richmond, a daughter, June 12.
To Mr. and Mrs. Von Adamson, Maxwell Park, a

son, June 15. To Mr. and Mrs. Leland Fife, Berkeley, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. Rex McKeans, Dimond, a daughter. BLESSINGS:

Carolyne Louise Olson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Orland Olson, Richmond.
Susan Boyack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton D.
Boyack, Berkeley.
John Richard Carlisle, Berkeley.
Judith Ann Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Kenneth Cunningham, Elmhurst.
Lawrence Douglas Stock, Elmhurst.
Rex Martin Treaster, Oakland.
William Keith Wallace, Oakland.
Peter Scott Carruth, Oakland.
Barbara Anne Parry, Oakland. Barbara Anne Parry, Oakland.
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Henry Ward Buck, Serena Jane Petersen, Roland
G. Knight, and Norman C. Honsvick, Vallejo.
Richard Huish, Robert M. Clauson, Berkeley.
Jimmie Norberg, Oakland.

Helen Marioria Adam and Horbert Doring Discount.

Helen Marjorie Aders and Herbert Dorius, Dimond. ORDINATIONS:

Leon W. Poulson, Oakland, Elder. Melvin B. Adams, Oakland, Elder. Armand L. Mauss and Theodore W. Reimer, Oakland, Deacons. Robert Hoga, Dimond, Deacon. Gordon Ellis, Berkeley, Deacon.

Glen Hill, Vallejo, Teacher.
Bruce Willis, Hayward, Priest.
Thomas Stokes, Hayward, Teacher.
Fred Day Wilschoff and Eugene Hanford, Hayward,

Deacons.
TEMPLE MARRIAGES:

Madge Christensen and Bernard Steward, Hayward, in Salt Lake Temple, June 3.

Viola Lauper and Joseph Johnson, Dimond, in Salt Lake Temple, June 25. Elaine Kimball and Raymond Jones, Dimond, in Salt Lake Temple, June 25. MARRIAGES:

Ora Miller and John Pullman, Dimond, in Reno, January 29.

Eva Marie Fehr and Giles Weston Johnson, Elm-hurst, by President Eugene Hilton, June 9. Nelda Johnston and Robert Springall, Hayward. Grace Winn of Oakland, and Fred J. Johnson of Richmond, in Reno, June 30. DEATHS:

Ernest D. Archmann, Berkeley. Mrs. Jenny Parry.

Everett Acor of Concord, was severely injured recently when struck by a truck. Everyone wishes him a complete and speedy recovery.

Marcus Johnson of Spanish Fork, Utah, is visiting with his father, Einer W. Johnson.

A few changes have been made in our Sunday School. The following were released: Willard Knowles as gospel doctrine teacher, Jesse Grover as secretary, Irene Anderson as assistant chorister, and Florence Robison as assistant organist. The following were sustained: Jess Grover as gospel doctrine teacher, Alan Johnson as secretary, Marie Grover as assistant chorister, and Frances Nix as assistant organist.

Three Martinez ward members were highly honored at graduation exercises this year. Robert Barber of Concord won a two-year scholarship at University of California; Joan Barber, also of Concord, was valedictorian of her class, and Kay Knowles of Martinez won the American Legion medal for best all-around student. Martinez ward is proud of them.

Mrs. Mary Cullum of Concord is in southern Utah and will visit in Idaho before returning to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Robison spent their vacation at Russian River.

Mr. and Mrs. Bott of Brigham City, Utah, have been visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Marie Grover, in Walnut Creek.

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